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The Word Opened

This is a new department in the paper which we hope to make very helpful to our readers most of whom are Bible students or at least they ought to be. Thoughts on the Bible, how to read the Bible, exegesis of difficult passages of scripture etc., are some of the subjects to be treated in this department; also Queries and Answers. If there are passages of scripture the meaning of which you do not understand, put in the form of a query and we will give you the information at our command. Queries to receive attention should refer to some Bible subject or methods of church work or government. Speak your mind freely and we will endeavor to be helpful to you.

The Sunday School

For some time nothing has appeared on the Sunday school lesson in this paper. Beginning with next issue there will appear each week notes and comments on the international lessons, together with other matter of interest to all Sunday school workers. Too much attention can not be given to the Sunday school, both in the exposition of the lesson text and in the discussion of methods and principles pertaining to the work of the Sunday school. We shall be glad to have contributions from our best Sunday school workers for this department.

Personal Mention

Brother P. J. Brown will preach for the people at Fair Haven, Sunday, May 7.

The people of Virginia and Maryland should give special attention to the announcement by Brother Spiggle.

Brother Bowman continues his work at Allentown, Pa. He reports two accessions at that place, and the church in good spirits.

Brother J. W. Beer writes that Brother Holsinger is with them, and that together they are working on the book and getting along nicely.

On Wednesday morning we received a telegram announcing the death of Dr. U. M. Beachly, Meyersdale, Pa. Particulars next week.

In a former issue we should have said that Brother Yoder's series of sermons on the Kingdom of God proved a great blessing to his people. There was one accession by baptism.

The good people of Milledgeville, Ill., have defeated a license ticket, which shows that they are alive to their own interests, the interests of God's cause and of humanity in general. Brother Teeter had a hand in the battle. Congratulations, brother.

Brother H. M. Lichty reports work moving along at Sunnyside very nicely. The colony has a large union Sunday school, and regular preaching services. The colony is making most commendable progress, and we have reasons to look for good reports from Sunnyside.

Brother Gillin calls attention to a very important matter on another page, that of church statistics. We trust pastors throughout the brotherhood will assist Brother Gillin in every possible way to gather reliable statistics. This is a part of our church work that has been too much neglected.

Dr. J. H. Yeater of this place will move to Sunnyside, Wash., early in June. The colony is in need of a physician as may be seen from a report in this paper. Dr. Yeater is an excellent man and the colony will be strengthened in more than one way by the addition of his family.

We regret to learn of the serious accident of Brother Lichty's son, Sunnyside, Wash. The young man is about seventeen years of age and a very excellent youth. He is a native of Ashland, having been born here while Brother Lichty was engaged in teaching at this place. May the Lord restore him to perfect health.

That is a thoughtful article by Brother Furry. Pastors will do well to give it a most careful reading. The world has not yet grown weary of plain, practical gospel preaching, the preaching that calls people to faith and repentance. In this age of the world the preacher must be a fearless man.

Our readers will find rich thoughts in the article by Dr. Cuyler on "Getting Hold of Young Men." Everybody read it. It will do young and old good. One sentence especially we wish to repeat: "Far better that a young man should get acquainted with his future wife at a prayer meeting than in a ball room or theater." Well said, let all young men profit by it.

Brother J. G. Winey has been doing some good missionary work up in Michigan. Seven accessions are reported at Sunfield. Brother Winey says that after his day's work he was tired and happy. Good. We know some people who get tired and are unhappy. The service of satan promises much but gives weariness of heart and unhappiness. Not so with the service of the Master. Joy, sweet joy, comes with it all.

Brother J. L. Gillin gave an address on "Mission of the Brethren Church" to the students of the Iowa State Normal School Sunday afternoon, April 22, to a fine audience. We feel quite comfortable when Brother Gillin sets forth the mission of the Brethren

church to any audience. We know that it is faithfully done.

Brother Haskins reports three accessions to the Johnstown congregation. The work in that congregation is in a most prosperous condition, every department of the machinery doing its part. It is one thing to organize people for Christian work; it is quite another thing to keep the several organizations at work. Brother Haskins knows how to do both. We trust other pastors who raised their hand in response to the editor's appeal at the last conference for monthly reports will follow his example.

The Ashland City young people's society held its regular monthly missionary meeting Sabbath evening, April 30th. At the moening service, the pastor, Brother Miller announced the meeting and in a few appropriate words called attention to the pleasure and profit of these weekly Bible studies. With no special appeal to the people for a large contribution, but a mere announcement of a collection, simply an opportunity and privilege offered to do something for missions, the society raised \$6.25. The young people's society in the Brethren church could easily raise \$250 per month for missions. Fifty societies each giving \$5.00 per month would do it.

Our Cream Pitcher

Alexander Maclaren

The recognition of the Sender, the absolute submission of our wills to His, must run thru all the life. You may do your daily work, whatever it may be, with this for its motto: "The will of the Lord be done." And they who thus can look at their trade or profession, and see the trivialities and monotonies of their daily occupations in the transfiguring light of that great thought, will never need to complain that life is small, ignoble, wearisome, insignificant. As with pebbles in some clear brook with the sunshine on it, the water in which they are sunk glorifies and magnifies them. If you lift them out, they are but bits of dull stone; lying beneath the sunlit ripples they are jewels. Plunge the prose of your life, and all its trivialities, into that great stream, and it will magnify and glorify the smallest and the homeliest. Absolute submission to the Divine will, and the ever-present thrilling consciousness of doing it, were the secret of Christ's life, and ought to be the secret of ours.

The Power of Books

It has been observed that a great hindrance to spirituality with many Christians is in the books they read. Too many do not know what it is to take up a book whose serious purpose is to quicken the piety and to advance the spirituality. Works of fiction, or even of science and history, written oftentimes by irreligious writers, can not take the place of strictly religious books and papers, any more than the theater or circus can take the place of the church, stones the place of bread, or scorpions that of fish. To attain a certain end we are careful to calculate the means to be employed.

A Prayer by St. Augustine

O God, the Light of every heart that sees Thee, the Life of every soul that loves Thee, the Strength of every mind that seeks Thee, grant me ever to continue steadfast in Thy holy love. Be Thou the joy of my heart, take it all to Thyself, and therein abide. The house of my soul is, I confess, too narrow for Thee; do Thou enlarge it, that Thou mayest enter it. It has that within which must offend Thine eyes: I confess and know it; but whose help shall I implore in cleansing it, but Thine alone? To Thee, therefore, I cry urgently, begging that Thou wilt cleanse me from my secret faults and keep Thy servant from presumptuous sins, that they never get dominion over me. Amen.

True Rest—Drummond

Two painters each painted a picture to illustrate his conception of rest. The first chose for this scene a still, lone lake among the far-off mountains. The